

THE

# Dutch Propheſie

OR THE

ASTROLOGICAL PREDICTIONS

OF

JOHANNES VELMONT

VAN VALKENBURGH OF

# UTRECHT,

SURVEYING THE

# F A T E

OF THE

# UNITED PROVINCES

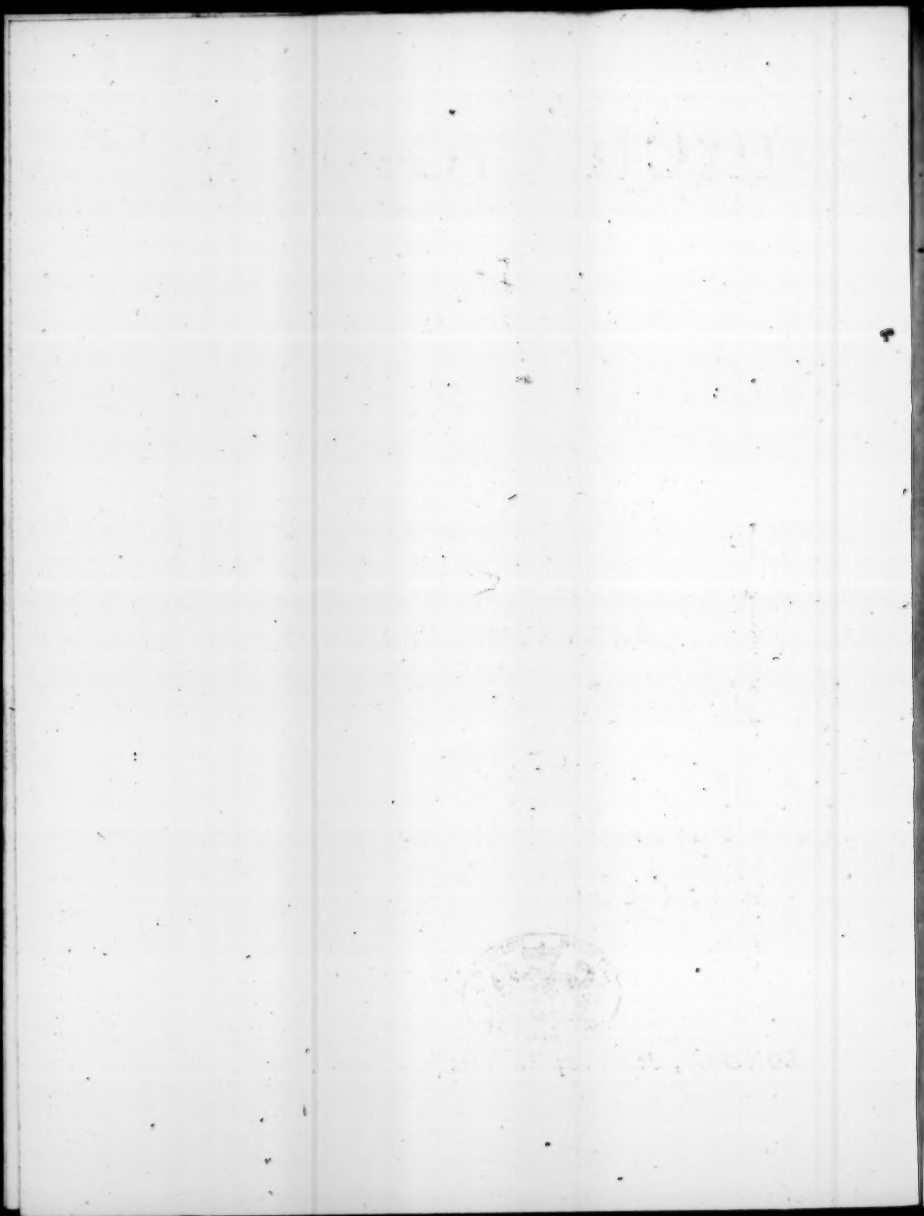
**For the Enſuing Year, 1674.**

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*Finis alterius mali gradus eſt futuri.*

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*Aſtrological Predictions, &c.*

SIR,



Do no ſooner received your  
Commands, but I immedi-  
ately Addreſſed my ſelf to  
Graſſie your Curioſity in  
procuring an Abſtract of the  
Predictions, or Aſtronomi-  
cal Judgments upon the en-  
ſuing Year, as they are deli-  
vered by the moſt Famous  
Mathematick of this Age,  
*Johannes Helmont van Val-*

*kenburgh of Utrecht.*

He thus Determines upon his Scheme erected for the  
Spring Quarter. — Several Low Countries ſhall be ſub-

ect to many and great Inundations, which shall break out with such a Violence, as to Overthrow many great Towns, and very considerable Forts, Castles, and stately Fabricks. There shall also be a great Dearth amongst all sorts of Cattle both great and small, many of them Drownded and Starved, and also a great Rott amongst Sheep; caused through the Excessive moist Distemperature of the Season. Mankind shall also be Afflicted with divers Sickneses proceeding from the abundance of Cold and Moist Humours, caused by Corruption of the Air and unwholsome Diet.

That the Commonalty in those Countries shall be much discontented and Weary of their Lives, through extream Poverty caused by their great Loss of Cattle, &c. Which yet cannot Excuse them from Heavy Impositions and Taxes.

Upon the entrance of the *Sun* into *Capricorn*, there will happen great and terrible Tempests, and great Losses at Sea, to the great Endammagement of the Merchant. *Mars* being ready to pass out of *Virgo* into *Sagitarie*, threatens War and great Commotions to those Countries more immediately under his Influence with unfortunate success to those who live under the wary *Trigon*.

*Saturn* in the fourth house is also an Enemy to Peace, and seems wholly to invalidate the benevolent Aspects of the other Planets, which do however strongly incline the endeavour of some great Statesmen, to work an accommodation. But the two Malevolent Planets do strongly oppose and appear to have the sole Dominion in the affairs and Transactions of those Countries more immediately subject to their malicious Influence, which shall cause men to desire War rather than Peace, and to take delight in Slaughter and Execution :

ecution : And to love Danger, Blood, Fire, and Confusion, and to Court even Death it self, in all its most Horrible shapes, till the minds of men shall be so hardened, that nothing shall seem unlawful to them ; but they shall sport themselves in all kind of Cruelty and outrage ; and being drunk with Bloud they shall rejoyce in all manner of Ruine and Destruction.

Sir,

This is the Sum of what *Van Valkenburgh's* Predictions contain : Though upon each particular *Scheme* he does enlarge himself into several Pages.

We much fear he will prove too true a Prophet, for though the Generality here are very desirous of Peace, yet we can see nothing but preparations for War, and the Military Spirits drive all before them. And those who prudently consider the face of *Christendome*, 'tis possible they may collect as infallible predictions without consulting the Stars.

But this may satisfy you how ready I am to comply with your Desires, when ever you please to Oblige me with an Opportunity.

Sir, Since we have begun to Traffique this way, I could wish you would send us over some Intelligence from your English *Oracles*, which I imagine may be less Ambiguous and more to the purpose ; for I can assure you (under our *Hogen Mogen* Policy) they are not allow'd that License and Freedom as your Interpreters of the Stars

Stars in *England*, who with such Confidence Transcribe the Book of Fates, and never scruple to Publish the Intregues of Heaven.

Our Astrologers seem a little better Qualified to be admitted as Secretaries to the Stars, for they only general Terms hint at the High Decrees of the Heavenly Cabal; though by a kind of mysterious *Dilemma*, they still hope to Entrap the Event.

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*FINIS.*



